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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application.

US 5,124,262; which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 3, last paragraph,

English language abstract of JP 81-73055 which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 3, second full paragraph,

WO 93/01800; which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 4, third paragraph;

Poultry Science, Vol. 73, pp. 402-407 (1994); which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 3, First full paragraph;

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Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

May 15, 2003 GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C. 1950 Roland Clarke Place Reston, VA 20191 (703) 716-1191 Respectfully Submitted,
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